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TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

RE: TRIBAL LABOR PANEL

I am writing to inform you of a recent development concerning the administration of the Tribal Labor Panel (TLP).

As background, the TLP was established pursuant to section 10.7 of the Tribal-State Gaming Compact of 1999, and is governed under the terms of the Tribal Labor Relations Ordinance (TLRO) of September 14, 1999. Last year ten arbitrators were designated to serve on the TLP from candidates selected by the Compact Gaming Tribes and the State of California. The TLP's responsibilities range from those usually performed by a Labor Board, as well as those normally assigned to a contract arbitration panel. During the selection process the Gaming Tribes recommended, and the State agreed, that the administration of the TLP would eventually be taken over by the American Arbitration Association (AAA), and that the State's role in this matter would be limited to handling the payment of panel members and the administrator.

The State has recently concluded a contract with the AAA for the adminstration of the TLP. Henceforth, parties who wish to invoke the services of the TLP may do so by contacting the AAA at the following address:

Sandra Marshall Amercian Arbitration Association 6795 N. Palm Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Fresno, CA 93704

PH: 877-528-0880 FX: 559-490-1919

Email; Marshalls@adr.org

Once contacted, the AAA will initiate proceeding in accordance with the procedures set forth in the TLRO. For further information regarding the TRLO or the TLP, you may wish to contact my office at (916) 322-5193 or DPA chief counsel Howard Schwartz at (916) 324-0485.

Sincerely,

Marty Morgenstern

Director

CC:

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